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Happy New Year

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Airdrie Farmer

Wins at Fair

The Chronicle extends congratulations to Vic Watson, of Airdrie, on his accomplishment of winning prizes at both Toronto and Chicago Winter Fairs.

In recognition of Mr. Watson's

efforts a reception will be tendered him, in the Golden Rod Community Hall, on Wednesday evening, January 7, 1938.

It is anticipated that a delegation from the local Board of Trade will be present.

Mr. Watson won in the following classes:

1st and Champion for Oats at Toronto. 2nd prize at Chicago.



Happy New Year

to all, and the wish

of Tiny Tim,

who said,

"God Bless Us Everyone"

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Anglican Party.

Meeting to round up the year's work, the pupils and teachers of the Anglican Sunday School met in the Armouries Thursday night for a jolly party.

Games and eats whiled away the evening until the arrival of St. Nick, who, breezing in made himself at home and distributed the various presents.

Everyone had a smiling face, and real Yuletide harmony prevailed, for even the oldest joined in the games of London Bridge, Windows-Ring around the Rosie, etc., and a merry time went past all too quickly.

One young lady was heard to remark, why don't Xmas parties come every week. Well, if they did, would we appreciate them so much? Hardly, for it's the coming together of friends in sociability on special occasions that makes us appreciate it, whereas, if we had it too often, we would be with them like everything else, tired of the sameness.

The merry party broke up around nine-thirty, to end a splendid evening.

The winning ticket for the Sewing Circle Raffle, was held by W. Laut.

Inverlea at Home.

This year the teacher and children of Inverlea School decided to have a Christmas party instead of the usual Concert and Tree, and to invite their mothers, and also their daddies, if they were not too bashful.

Tastefully decorated, the school took on quite a gala appearance to the guests, as they arrived at two o'clock Thursday afternoon, December 23rd.

When everyone had arrived, the party got under way, old and young alike indulged in games and merriment the whole afternoon. Contests and novelty features, races for children of both school and non school age, brought surprises and happiness to the young hearts gathered in the old school house.

Miss Murdoch, then announced that a strange lot of Christmas Beetles had arrived in the building and elicited support to have them exterminated. Everyone lent a hand, and we learn that Miss Margaret Collicutt, being the best shot, took the prize as the most successful hunter, and Mrs. W. Brandon the consolation. However, the Beetles got the worst of it, and are now no more, but, as they were only paper ones, hunting was somewhat easy.

A telegram arrived intimating that Santa Claus could not come, so the gifts were distributed off the tree by a generous, kind-hearted member of the School Board, and he made an admirable pinchhitter for Santa.

Lunch was served, and the children were given a table to themselves, with lovely Xmas cakes, candles, etc., concealed in which were many trinkets, and the howls of glee, when someone discovered one, was worth a King's ransom.

Parting came and all left for their various homes, happy to have met, and sorry to part.

In conversation with some of the ladies who attended, we ascertained this fact, that everyone had a grand time and that the school teacher, Miss Murdoch, is to be warmly congratulated for the efforts she expended on the Inverlea 1937 school Xmas party.

Floral Xmas Concert.

Entering Floral School last evening, S.R. was struck by the original style of decorations that adorned the interior.

Opening the programme, Chairman Guy R. Wickerson welcomed the large crowd present, in the name of the school.

The programme introduced a new feature in local school concerts, in that, every item was introduced by a charming Page boy, none other than Mrs. McRae, wife of the floral school teacher. This idea appealed, and was a nice change from listening to some long drawn-out winded chairman.

Not for one minute are we insinuating that they have this kind in Floral District, but one does meet up with them occasionally.

Harmony singing and vocal num bers were very well done, also the Violin group trained by Mr. McRae. S.R.'s eye was caught by the Drill, called The Soldiers and the Drills, and to hear him enthuse over this item, well, it must have been good.

As a special request, the school repeated a former number, Strawberry Roan, and many a laugh rippled through the room when Verne Thompson essayed to saddle the wild, snorting, kicking broncho.

William Bills aped the coupe-de-grace and Cliff Stafford and Company earned for themselves unstinted praise.

Everything went off as it was intended, moving along like a well-oiled engine, which says much for the teacher, Mr. Ken McRae, and his charming shall we say better half; we'll risk it.

Congratulations, everyone, and may you be spared to give many more concerts of this nature. Speculation is rife as to just what was in the great big tall parcel Santa gave Mrs. McRae, and, as Verne Thompson says, well, maybe it can be used at Banff.

The United Church Concert and Tree went off very successfully last Wednesday night, when a goodly crowd turned up to witness the efforts of the various children.

Leading the singing was a musical Quintette consisting of Mrs. A. M. E. Y. pianist; Miss Mildred Metheral and Miss Hunt, violinists, and Messrs. Jack and George Fleming, cornettists.

It was a long and varied programme; Songs, Recitations, Playlets and Drills, and each item as it came and went, earned for itself the approval of the audience. The items showed throughout the evening's entertainment, the skill and patience shown at the teachers in training the pupils, and also the fine work of the children in carrying out everything as intended.

The Y.P.S. presented a one-act play, entitled "Uncle Joe's Will", and the players featured were Mary Murdoch, Patricia Waterhouse, J. Taylor, Clarke McMillan, L. Sharp, H. Mair, S. Boyd and F. Hoffman. The play was presented very favourably, and outstanding in an excellent cast were Mary Murdoch and Clarke McMillan, the other players gave good support and a creditable performance.

Santa arrived, and being unable to open an easel through the door, chose an alternative, the window, much to the amusement of some of the younger fry, who hoped they would see his stick, and that they would get a chance to help pull him through. They were disappointed.

Teachers and children, you deserve high commendation, and if spared for another year, we hope to see you all again and derive some more pleasure from your entertaining efforts.

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Baptist Gathering

In spite of inclement weather, quite a number of people turned out at the Christmas Concert, held in the Baptist Church, Wednesday, December 22.

Rev. J. H. Pickford opened the programme with a short address. Songs and recitations made up the evening's entertainment. "The perfect gift", after which gifts were distributed to the Sunday School children. Nuts, bags of candy were available and Joe Pike and Tom Chalmers were some of the fortunate. Everyone went home there, well pleased and smiling.

Many versions have been given to us on the different plays, but two things we did notice was the three goals taken by Dillon James Stevens and App Clarke McMillan.

Hainsworth and Don Stevens although he had to pick the onion out of the net three times, nevertheless, gave a sterling display of goal-tending.

The two teams will tangle next Thursday at Cartairs.

Local Pee Wees Win Nobly at Arena

Taking the Cartairs Pee Wees into Camp, to the tune of 4 to 3, the local Pee Wees swept to victory on Monday afternoon, in a hockey game at the local arena.

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MAY STRENGTHEN NAVAL FORCES IN THE FAR EAST

London.—The British government was reported considering the possibility of reinforcing its naval forces in the far east as a means of stopping Japanese attacks on British vessels. No decision has been reached, it is understood.

The cabinet considered the question. Some newspapers said the ministers decided the easing of the Mediterranean situation now would permit substantial naval reinforcements in the Orient.

What Britain's policy will be is said to be waiting to see what the United States intended to do following Japanese attacks on British and United States ships; a movement was reported under way among members of the House of Commons to urge despatch of more warships to Chinese waters.

Advocates of the step, who are not grouped along party lines, contend the fleet reinforcement would rehabilitate British prestige.

Recall of Rear Admiral Teizo Mitsunami, Japan's chief of naval aerial operations in China, gave Great Britain a measure of hope the Anglo-American protest had moved Japan to take action to force her army and navy to respect neutrals' rights.

The foreign office nevertheless waited more convincing evidence in the form of a direct reply to the British note demanding a definite end to Japanese attacks on shipping.

The press used the terms "demand" and "warning" in referring to the London and Washington protests. The Evening Star (Liberal), said "Japan has received a warning now which it would be unwise for her to ignore."

"Japan has been told quite plainly its excuses are in vain" and its apologies no longer can be accepted. The Evening News (Liberal), said:

Viscount Cecil of Chiswellwood, 1907 Nobel peace prize winner, told a League of Nations meeting:

"I want to say very strongly that in my view the attack on China itself was a far greater danger to us and our interests . . . than any attack on our shipping and our subjects."

It was believed the new Chinese authorities installed at Peiping under the aegis of the Japanese army would establish a preferential tariff schedule favorable to Japan. Such an arrangement might have the virtual effect of ousting Britain from the Chinese import market, it was pointed out.

Britain Not Facing Slump

Prince Minister States Any Such Talk Is Dangerous

London.—Prime Minister Chamberlain denied in the House of Commons that Great Britain was about to suffer an economic slump.

A labor question on the government's policy to "meet the serious unemployment problem that threatens the country in view of the oncoming slump," drew Mr. Chamberlain's fire.

"I don't accept the implication of your question that any talk of an oncoming slump may only exaggerate and dangerous," the prime minister declared. "This country is in a far better position to meet any temporary decline in trade than at any time since the Great War."

An increase of 108,954 persons on the nation's unemployment rolls between October and November prompted the query.

Relieved Of Post

Chief Of Japanese Aerial Operations Has Been Recalled

Shanghai.—Japanese authorities announced Rear Admiral Teizo Mitsunami, chief of Japanese aerial operations, had been relieved of his post as a result of the bombing of the United States gunboat Panay.

The government thus acted swiftly to carry out its pledge to the United States government that officers responsible for the Panay attack would be punished, said Domel, the Japanese news agency.

Mitsunami was recalled since most air bombings in China have been carried out by naval planes.

Rural Rehabilitation

Winnipeg.—J. S. Wood, president of the United Farmers of Manitoba, urged before Manitoba legislature's select committee on agriculture and immigration that a land court be set up immediately to work out satisfactory conditions of rural rehabilitation and land tenure. Such a land court would have wide administrative powers.

Farm Mortgages

Would Have Federal Government Establish Credit Corporation

Regina.—Establishment by the Dominion government of a credit corporation to take over all farm mortgages and give to the loan companies debentures on a three per cent basis as security for their agreement to accept a reasonable settlement of the farm debts, was proposed in the brief of the Saskatoon board of trade before the Rowell commission.

The Saskatoon board of trade brief was presented by F. R. MacMillan, president, and a brief on behalf of the Regina board of trade was submitted by L. A. Thornton, president.

The briefs of the two boards of trade were in agreement on many points, both supporting the contention of the Saskatchewan brief that the income tax and succession duties should be administered entirely by the Dominion.

Both board of trade briefs also protested the burden of taxation which land in cities was required to bear and suggested that these could be lightened if the municipalities were not asked to extend certain services they were at present providing.

"What taxes would you substitute for taxes on real estate?" Dr. H. F. Angus, member of the commission asked during the presentation of the Saskatoon board of trade brief by Mr. MacMillan.

The answer was given by Andrew Leslie, city commissioner of Saskatoon, who said "We are not here to suggest that further taxes be imposed but that some of the burden be transferred to other shoulders." Mr. Leslie specified the Dominion government.

"What taxes are you thinking of their increasing?" Dr. Angus asked. "The income tax is one I have in mind," Mr. Leslie replied.

The board of trade briefs both gave the opinion that either the tariff on manufactured goods should be substantially reduced or that some compensating benefit should be granted to the primary producers of the west who compensated for the special benefit conferred by the tariff on the industries of the east.

In connection with its proposal for the adjournment of farm debts, the Saskatoon board of trade contended that, since interest rates and their control were a function of federal government under the British North America Act, immediate steps should be taken to deal with the problem.

Women Elected In Russia

Moscow.—Latest returns on Sunday's elections for a supreme Soviet showed 855 Communist candidates and 288 non-party representatives will sit in the new legislative body. There are 184 women among the 1,143 members elected.

Air School Established

London.—Imperial Airways announced that it had established an "Atlantic school" at Croydon for future pilots who will operate mail and passenger liners between the United Kingdom and North America.

SAYS RAILWAY SITUATION IS FAR FROM HOPELESS

Boston.—To meet the Canadian National Railways deficit this year, "a little less than \$40,000,000" will be required from the federal treasury, Transport Minister C. D. Howe told an audience here. Gross earnings will exceed \$200,000,000, the minister said, the best showing of the railway in several years.

"The C.N.R. deficit last year, as shown in the budget of Finance Minister Dunning, was \$43,000,000. In the estimates for 1937-38, the current fiscal year, \$35,000,000 was appropriated for the railway which, apparently, will be somewhat short of meeting it."

Addressing the Boston Canadian club at the annual ladies' night dinner, Mr. Howe gave a picture of Canada's publicly owned utilities under his direction as transport minister. It was recommended for Mr. Howe to return to Switzerland as a Nazi envoy, according to reports from Washington.

While serious Canada's railway problem was "far from hopeless," Mr. Howe said, Canada's National system alone had 24,000 miles of railways, which, considered on the basis of population, was twice that of United States and four times that of any other country. Yet freight rates were the lowest in the world per ton mile and "must remain so in the national interest."

"Hope for the future lies in return of the prairie provinces to productivity," the minister said, "and in the continued development of our mining, lumbering and manufacturing."

"Through the depression years it has been necessary to suspend immigration, but it is hoped that return to more normal times will permit the resumption of selective immigration."

In January next Canada's new trans-Canada air service would be in full operation," the minister said. (It was presumed he referred to the Trans-Canada-Vancouver section.)

This main-line service route would have connections with the United States from Boston to Montreal, New York to Montreal, Minneapolis to Winnipeg, Great Falls, Montana, to Lethbridge, and Vancouver to Seattle.

Air services now reaching northern districts which include three-quarters of the Dominion with no other form of modern transportation, linked with the trans-Canada system would bring "a network of air lines that will provide rapid transportation to any part of the Dominion."

During the past year, Mr. Howe said, Canadian air services handled 15,000 tons of freight, more than was carried in the United States the British Isles and France combined, and passenger liners between the addition they carried 250,000 passengers and considerable mail.

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NEW AMBASSADOR



Fear Seed Shortage

Supplies For Spring Sowing Said To Be None Too Plentiful

Ottawa.—Supplies of seed for spring sowing on Canadian farms are none too plentiful, according to information reaching the department of agriculture.

In most parts of the country there is sufficient seed grain to meet requirements providing it is not sold and shipped out between now and sowing time. There is, however, a definite shortage of oats and very slender seed supplies of other cereals and grass seeds are none too plentiful.

In the drouth areas of Saskatchewan and Alberta, 6,000,000 bushels of wheat, 4,300,000 bushels of oats and 1,100,000 bushels of barley will be required for seed.

Fair crops were harvested in areas of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and the best of this surplus, if obtained without delay, would be sufficient to meet the seed shortage.

Want Referendum

People Of United States Want Voice On War Matters

Washington.—The United States house of representatives at the insistence of advocates of peace, decided upon early consideration of a constitutional amendment requiring the government to obtain approval of the people in a referendum before declaring war.

Signatures of 10 members completed the necessary 218 required to take the proposal away from the house rules and judiciary committees. The latter has been considering it intermittently for more than a year.

JAP ATTACKS ON BRITISH SHIPPING MUST NOW CEASE

London.—Great Britain has demanded of Japan information "that measures have actually been taken" to put a definite stop" to incidents that endanger British lives and property in China.

Mr. Arthur Eden, foreign minister, released the text of a note from Foreign Secretary Koki Hirota, which reviewed the long series of attacks on Britons and declared "It is clear that steps hitherto taken by the Japanese government to prevent such attacks have so far failed in that purpose."

Issuing of the text followed a warning by Mr. Eden in the House of Commons that failure to stop attacks on British shipping would strain the relations of the two countries.

At a long cabinet meeting it was understood the entire Far East situation was reviewed. It was understood the cabinet considered the strength of the royal navy in Chinese waters and decided the position there must remain under constant observation.

Financial circles were represented as disturbed by the prospect of Japanese military operations around Canton and other Chinese territory neighboring Hong Kong.

The note to Tokyo said attacks by Japanese aircraft and land forces on British merchant shipping at Wuhu and near Nanking on Dec. 12 "clearly raise grave issues."

"At Wuhu a British tug which had convoyed from Nanking His Majesty's consul, the British military attaché and flag captain to the British rear admiral (the Yangtze command), was attacked by Japanese machine-guns fire after transferring these officers to H.M.S. Ladybird."

The Ladybird herself, the British merchant ship Suive and H.M.S. Bee all were fired upon. The note said there were "four direct hits" on the Ladybird with one naval rating, T. N. Lonergan, killed, another rating seriously wounded and three minor casualties, including the ship's captain.

The commander of H.M.S. Bee landed in protest and was informed by Colonel Hashimoto, senior Japanese military officer then at Wuhu, that the firing on the warships was due to a mistake, but that he had orders to fire on every ship on the river," the note continued.

"At a later interview the same officer stated categorically that if any ships moved on the river they would be fired on and, despite protests, H.M.S. Bee and Ladybird, after berthing, remained covered by guns at point blank range."

"Near Hsia-San-shan, above Nanking, where British merchant ships were concentrating in a part of the river previously designated by the British as a safety zone, three separate bombing attacks were made by Japanese aircraft on them and H.M.S. Cricket and Scarab, which were with them."

SHOW OPPOSITION TO FORMATION OF A CENTRAL BLOC

Quebec.—An alliance between Canada's five eastern provinces was seen as "desirable" by Premier Maurice Duplessis, whose reported statement to the east would "not be run for the western provinces" brought rebuke from the west and denial of any incoming central bloc.

The head of Quebec's Union National government, however, in his speech at Shawinigan Falls, Que., stirred up nationwide reaction, had nothing further to say on his proposal.

Premier Duplessis did not go into details on his suggestion for the eastern alliance. He was quoted as saying at Shawinigan Falls that "we in this province, and in Ontario and in the Maritime provinces, have decided that we will not be run for the western provinces." He added: "We are tired of it."

From Atlantic to Pacific, provincial premiers responded immediately. Liberal Premier Angus L. Macdonald of Nova Scotia said his government had "never been consulted about an alliance between Quebec, Ontario and the Maritime provinces." Nor had this province entered any agreement that they would not be "run" by the west.

Premier A. A. Dyer of New Brunswick, and Premier Thano Campbell of Prince Edward Island, both Liberals, said, too, they knew nothing of any projected alliance. His province had "no intention of entering any union," the island premier added.

In Ontario, Premier Mitchell Hepburn had just announced he and Duplessis were prepared to challenge in the courts the federal legislation under which permission of the federal government was necessary for export of surplus electrical power to the United States. Their agreement on the power question was reached at a conference in Montreal.

At that meeting also, the Ontario and Quebec premiers were reported to have agreed on similar submissions to the royal commission on dominion-provincial relations.

Part of Mr. Duplessis' Shawinigan Falls remarks were made as interjections to a banquet speech delivered by Arthur B. Purvis, head of the National Employment Commission. When Mr. Purvis noted there existed as yet no agreement on employment of Chinese Gurdas, premier said these should be no national employment offices, "for we will not be burdened with the west."

Western reactors soon bounced back. T. D. Pattullo, Liberal premier of British Columbia, said that Pacific coast province, far from being a burden of any kind upon Canada," had been "the most luscious milk cow for the good old provinces of Ontario and Quebec."

He added that, through the operations of the tariff and freight rates, British Columbia was contributing between \$40,000,000 and \$50,000,000 yearly to Quebec and Ontario in adverse trade balance.

Had Wrong Answers

Applicant For Naturalization A Little Hazy About English Language

Edmonton.—When Mr. Justice T. M. Tweedie asked an applicant for naturalization about the weather at his farm home, the Polish immigrant said he had "five cows, a couple of horses and had harvested a good crop."

The applicant, apparently prepared to demonstrate his knowledge of the English language, began giving the wrong answers in Alberta supreme court chambers when Mr. Justice Tweedie altered the usual order of questions.

The immigrant was told to learn the English language and apply again in a year.

Toys Not Amusing

Fun Has Been Taken Out Of Building Blocks

New York.—Ghost of Christmas Past sighed his way through New York's various toylands and yearned for the time when toy-makers filled fun with "foolishness."

Even building blocks have become serious.

So building blocks for 1938 construction won't come tumbling down when they reach skyscraper proportions, they'll stand with greces so as to stay in place.

The present United States Christmas pack is valued at \$225,000,000, a seven-year peak for the American toy industry.

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G. Y. MCLEAN, Editor and Publisher

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THE NEW YEAR

WHATEVER the past year may have meant to you, make it dead history. But let the new year be a living issue. With a big, fresh sponge, dripping with the clear water of forgiveness, wipe clean the slate of your heart. Enter the year with a kind thought for every one. You need not kiss the hand that smote you, but grasp it in cordial good feeling, and let the electricity of your own resolves find its connecting current—which very often exists where we think it not. Make the new year a happy one in your home; be bright of disposition; carry your cares easy; let your heart be as sunshine, and your life will give warmth to all around you. And thus will you and yours be happy.—L.H.J.

L'Envoy.

POSSIBLY for the last time it will be our privilege and pleasure to greet the many Chronicle readers through these columns, as events having transpired to take us to other fields in our endeavours to fit into this scheme of things called "Life".

It is with sincere regret that we sever our connections with these columns, and extend at this time our thanks and deep appreciation for the many courtesies given us during our regime of management. We feel that You Folks who have been so friendly to us, and who have favoured us with much good-will during the past two years, are our friends, and that these friendly relations now existing, will be permanent, and that we will carry with us always, something that can never be eradicated from our memory. "The many Friends in Crossfield and surrounding Districts".

It has been a pleasure to serve you, and all times, we strived to give you of our best, and if we, like other humans, have slipped occasionally, we ask that these be forgotten and overlooked.

On behalf of the new management, Mr. G. E. Wall, we bespeak a continuance of your valued patronage and business, and can assure you that he will continue to give you a high-class paper. Mr. Wall has had many years experience in the Printing trade and on news papers, and he will see to it that the Chronicle as heretofore, since its inception in 1907, continues to boost for the communities it serves

In saying, "Au Revoir" may we be permitted to say, in conclusion, "May the New Year bring each and everyone of you a new measure of Progress and Prosperity"

A real friendly spirit permeates our community, and grows better day by day.

Let us keep that which we have, and in the true spirit of co-operation, work one with the other throughout the year that lies before us all.

G. Y. MCLEAN

Greetings.

THE former Editor, G. Y. McLean, having accepted an offer with the Macleod Gazette, and intends leaving shortly for that point to take over his new duties. The business has been taken over by the writer, and we bespeak a continuance of the support accorded Mr. McLean.

We assure you that the high traditions of the Crossfield Chronicle, set by the former Editor, will be carried on. Projects whereby Crossfield will derive benefits, will be continually boasted for. The new slogan of the Crossfield Chronicle will be, "If it's for the benefit of Crossfield and District, the Chronicle will boast".

Trusting that our many years of experience will help to keep the Chronicle and Crossfield well posted, and the high standard of both maintained.

Once again, we solicit your friendly patronage and support.

G. E. WALL



P. D. Sez:

If you come away from a masquerade ball with a pink and tinsel fairy and on bidding her good night at a rear door and find she has clapped hands that smell of pots, precious little romance remains to your adventure. But what a shock it must be for a man who has never seen his fiancee except in roguish bathing suit, stunning tailor-made or exquisite decollete gown, to wake up some morning and behold his wife crouched before the mirror in a rumpled nightie trying to pin up her disheveled hair.

School Exam. Results.

ROOM I

To take the place of standing, graded by a number, I have used this system of marks referring to Progress:

- A Superior
- B Better than average
- C Average
- D Barely passing
- F Failure

F. GOUGH, Teacher
Grade 1

Mary Fieldhouse	A
Stanley Lim	B
Gerald Hurt	B
Bruce Wood	B
Howard High	B
Shirley Reeves	B
Audrey Devins	B
Donald McCaskill	B
Enid Lind	C
Clara Witke	C
John Wood	C

Grade 2

Isobel Wood	A
Lorne Patmore	B
Warne Fieldhouse	B
Harold High	B
Raymond Patmore	B
John Berge	C
Patsy Stevens	D

Grade 3

Barbara High	B
Ruby Lee	B
Murray Hurt	B
Gordon Fox	B
Mary Karen Edlund	B
David Gilson	C
Robert McCaskill	C
Eunice Harrison	C
Mervin Lind	D
Ralph Lind	D

Grade 4

ROOM II	
Grade 6	
Marguerite Billio	88
Kieth Bannister	87
Corell Fieldhouse	85
Mervin Patmore	81
Douglas Hoover	74.7
Maxine Mair	71
Cameron Carmichael	70
Lloyd Johnson	69
Alice Hall	67
Ernest Butler	62
Percy Blough	61
Gordon Reeves	60
Vivian Lind	50

Grade 5

Donald Stevens	83
Lorraine Fieldhouse	82.8
Donald Ryan	81.7
Helen Hurt	81.2
Laurette Fike	79.8
Lawrence McCool	75.6
Norman Patmore	75
Lois Gordon	73.8
Reggie Belshaw	70
Arthur Bergs	69.7
Alice Gilson	65.7
Neils Nelson	65
Kenneth Belshaw	60.4

Grade 4

Marvin Fieldhouse	75.6
Judeth Berge	74.8
Berwyn Patmore	74.7
Gerald Butler	72
Fern Patmore	68
Doris Patmore	64.6
Grace Wood	65.2
Karl Nelson	61
Wimifred Carmichael	40

Absent for some of tests.

Maxine Reeves..... 69.3

MILDRED J. BROWN, Teacher

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United Church to Observe Prayer Week

The final meeting of the Crossfield Young People's Society for 1937, which took the form of a social evening, was held at the home of Miss Kathleen Fitzpatrick, on December 13. The first meeting of the new year, a devotional meeting, will be held in the United Church, at 8:00 p.m., on Monday, January 3rd. A cordial invitation is extended to the General Public.

For many years the first week of the New Year has been the occasion of a "Week of Universal Prayer". The Young People's Society is inviting all young people and resident ministers, also all members of teen age groups and classes, all older folks to attend this interdenominational gathering and form a link in chain of Universal Prayer.

Missing Letter Competition

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Watch-Nite Service At Baptist Church

No better way to begin the New Year than to join us in our Watch-Night service, on December 31st, from 10 p.m. until a few minutes past twelve: Our Young People are taking a prominent part in this service with special singing and short messages. This promises to be an unique service. Our cordial welcome is extended to all, especially would we welcome the Young People of the town. Join us in this praise and prayer service.

Advance Advices

Dec. 31: School Fair Dance.
Jan. 3: Week of Universal Prayer
at United Church.
Jan. 10: Local Bonspiel.
Jan. 12: Floral Local U.F.W.A.
meeting.
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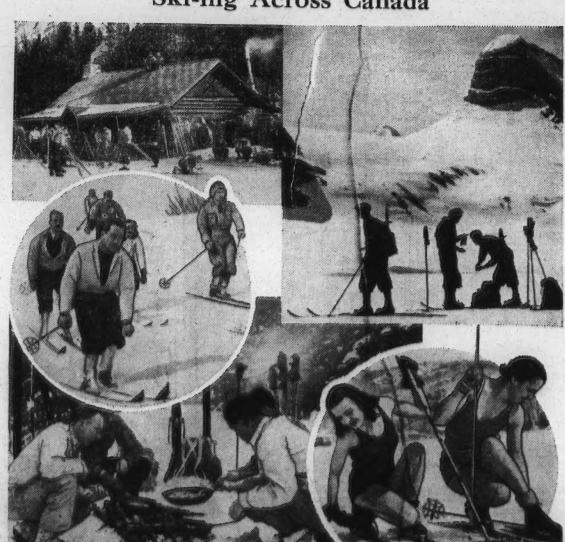
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Skating Across Canada



pleasure and competitive skiing now rank high among the major winter sports throughout Canada. The most sunshiny winter days call thousands of skiers from the prairies and in British Columbia, the Rockies, the Columbia Valley, and the Canadian Rockies. The Canadian Rockies are contributing large measure to the development of ski areas, both in the east and in the west. From Montreal and eastern United States thousands travel on the "Ski Specials" to the Laurentians each week-end. The prairies and in British Columbia, the Rockies, the Columbia Valley, and the Canadian Rockies are contributing large measure to the development of ski areas, both in the east and in the west. From Montreal and eastern United States thousands travel on the "Ski Specials" to the Laurentians each week-end. The prairies and in British Columbia, the Rockies, the Columbia Valley, and the Canadian Rockies are contributing large measure to the development of ski areas, both in the east and in the west. 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WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

President Eamon de Valera told the dail (parliament) the Irish Free State would conditionally recognize Italy's conquest of Ethiopia in the near future.

Inventor of the Metcalf indicator for measuring turbine revolutions and of apparatus for cooling ships, sea, Capt. Henry W. Metcalf, died recently at Crossfield, Eng.

The British Broadcasting Corporation is preparing for the television of next year's Derby, rugby international games and the university boat race. Tests will start shortly.

Striking workers occupied the Paris department stores in a surprise sit-down movement a short time ago. All the city's big stores were affected.

Imperial Airways announced that it had established an "Atlantic school" at Croydon for future pilots who will operate mail and passenger lines between the United Kingdom and North America.

A new motor road from Hamburg, Germany, to the Danish frontier, as planned, involves the boring of a tunnel more than a mile in length and 100 feet wide under the Kiel canal.

A unanimous vote of opposition to any cession of British mandated territory to Germany was recorded by the parliamentary committee of the Empire Industries' Association at a meeting at the House of Commons.

Anywhere throughout South Africa for 2s. 6d. (62 cents) is the slogan of the public demand on the postmaster-general for cheaper night rates on the government telephone service.

Filipino women, enfranchised early this year, marched to the polls recently with their men-folk to vote for 11 members of their own sex seeking positions on provincial boards.

Worth Over Million Dollars

United States Exported 41,797,000 Teeth To Britain Last Year

The United States is determined not only to sell more food abroad but also teeth with which to eat it. The eventual Anglo-American trade agreement, initial steps for which were announced recently by Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, will have teeth in it—more than 40,000,000 in fact. The United States exported to Britain in 1936 41,797,000 teeth for \$1,200,000.

A Department of Commerce specialist said that American manufacturers were producing teeth that have eaten their way into the hearts of British dentists and filled scores of millions of cavities in John Bull's jaw.

The teeth listed as "scientific instruments," are exported from the United States individually and not in sets. British dentists make them up in plates to suit their patients.

Total United States exports of teeth in 1936 were worth \$1,801,000. Great Britain took the lion's share. An estimated 4,000,000 Britons—a twelfth of the British Isles population—wear their hashing smiles to the United States.

Strange Messages Unsigned

Contained In Manchurian Walnut Shells Received At Prince Albert

Comment on prevailing conditions in the Orient appeared in a couple of Manchurian walnut shells received in Prince Albert. Shells, "Walnuts, purchased in a local store, were found to contain notes from the Orient, written on jagged yellow slips of paper. There was no signature.

One slip read: "What fools we mortals be—Sceno II, act III." And the other, "Peace on earth, goodwill to men." On a separate line was, "O, is there fun, and on the reverse side, "especially in the Orient."

Considered remarkable is the fact the same city resident received both the walnuts with notes inside. The shells had been sealed with a tiny piece of wax.

Home Defence

Lunching in a man's grill the other day, we heard a couple of young fellows discussing war, pacifism, and the like. "I'm against war," one of them said at last, "but if the enemy ever got anywhere near where I live, I'd certainly defend myself." "What good would that do?" the other said, wistfully. "Before you could do anything, the enemy would have gone right through the Bronx." They both brooded for a while, then started talking about hockey.—The New Yorker.

According to estimates, alligators are only two feet long when they are 15 years old.

Hard To Understand

U.S. Judge Dismissed Manslaughter Charge Against Drunken Driver

If the decision of a Massachusetts judge in discharging in a Boston court a motorist accused of manslaughter is precedent for future rulings, a man-be-be killer need do to escape punishment only to get home before he strikes. The accused came into and killed a man and his two-year-old son. The judge decided in part: "He was so drunk he was not in a position to form a judgment or exercise his will." He dismissed a manslaughter charge, but found the motorist guilty of intoxication, operating dangerously and driving while under the influence of liquor. Commenting on the verdict, a Harvard professor of law said the logic "would seem to be that if one must drive recklessly, by all means become intoxicated first so as to avoid the danger of a conviction for manslaughter."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

NEW FASHION HIGH-LIGHTS THAT FAVOR THE STOUT FIGURE

By Anne Adams



Every inch, every seam, every trimming detail of this stunning Afternoon Dress is given恰好 (exactly) proportions and placed to allow the larger woman to wear the latest style to the best advantage. Note especially the curve of the front yoke, which is a new and very becoming line. The sleeves are very slightly puffed at the shoulder and taper gradually to the elbow. The short version ends above the elbow. Make the dress with a softly flared braid or with a fabric like synthetic or silk crepe or very sheer wool.

Pattern 4661 is available in woman's sizes 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46 and 48. Size 36 takes 4 yards 29 fabric. Illustrated step-by-step sewing instructions included.

"Pidd," roared the boss, "you seem to be losing our efficiency system altogether!"

"Yes sir," returned Stew Pidd, the office cut-up, "but somebody's gotta get the work done!"

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TWENTY-NINE WESTERN WINNERS OUT OF SIXTY-TWO JUNIOR FARMERS VISITING INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER PLANT AT HAMILTON, ONTARIO



The young people first visited the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto as winners of their respective farm clubs throughout Canada.

Then the above picture was taken after their tour of the International Harvester Plant, where they were shown how farm implements and garden twine were manufactured.

An Old Legend

Plant Called Galium Is Linked With Christmas Season

Providence, through the medium of plants, supplies not only the Christmas gifts, but loads the dining-tables with delectable fruits and vegetables. The after-dinner cup of coffee is made from the seeds of the coffee tree that belongs to the same family as the familiar bedstraws or Galums, one of which is appropriately associated with Christmas. It is the Galum that is the true Galum because of the legend that this plant was in the bay on which the Mother of Christ rested. It is therefore called Our Lady's Bedstraw or Ladies' Bedstraw. In parts of eastern and western Canada this plant is becoming quite common where its showy spray of tiny yellow cruciform flowers bloom all the summer.

An Old Custom

Thanks Given For Festal Seasons Before There Was A Christmas

Gratitude and thanksgiving for the beneficence of festal seasons are the time-honored and gracious usage of an appreciative world.

Five hundred years before the first Christmas, Aeschylus, a Greek poet, whose religious feeling was probably stimulated by the solemn services which represented the deepest and purest element of religion, said, "For these things it is meet to give the gods thank-offerings long-enduring."

Had Aeschylus been born five centuries later he might have been profoundly stirred by the scriptural hymn, "Gloria in excelsis Deo."

Dilemma For The Gulls

Birds May Object To Riding On Cheep Boat

An ornithologist we know told us the gulls that follow the Queen of Bermuda out to sea don't go all the way, but pick up the Monarch of Bermuda across the half-way mark and come back with her. We passed this information along to an acquaintance of ours in the shipping business, who nodded and remarked that the Furness Line has sent the Monarch to England for one of her periodic inspections.

We've been thinking ever since how many gulls are going to feel when they find themselves at sea with no choice except to go on with the Queen or come back with a cheap boat inferior in cuisine. The New Yorker.

No Help There

Terry had succeeded in extracting a clump from his indulgent mother on Christmas Eve. He neglected to thank her, and she was annoyed at his display of bad manners.

"Terry, you are most forgetful," she said. "I have given you a dime to buy some crackers and a dime to ride enough not to reply. What do you say when you get something?"

"I don't know," was the reply.

"You don't know? What do I say to Daddy when he gives me money?"

"Is that all?" quoted the knowing child.

Among Those Leaving

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NEXT WEEK The Recent History and To-day's Story of Flin Flon Starts.

FLIN FLON

"The Story of Its Finding and Position To-day"

By PRATT KUHN

The first geologist to inspect the new find was Dr. E. L. Bruce, a graduate of Queen's University, who was in charge of a geological survey for the Canadian Government. He was in the Beaver Lake district, and later in the fall of 1915 came over from Beaver Lake on information given by Tom Creighton. He was able to make the first technical clamp down.

His pal on the hinterland side, Mrs. Hammell, accompanied him hunting to Beaver Lake to visit the prospecting party. While the prospecting party was away doing further staking, Hammell went up the other end of Beaver Lake to go fishing. Meeting the prospectors later, Hammell went to inspect the discovery. Hammell was asked by the prospectors "How much money would you give each of you for the rest of your lives?" John Macmillan replied, "I'll give you one hundred thousand dollars for a piece of diamond drilling." Hammell and Rockfeller can have the rest."

"I'll get it for you," said Hammell, "and he made good his word." Hammell was then given control of the property, and took an option for \$100,000. Another big freighting from The Pas 87 miles to the Flin Flon confirmed the value of the deposit, and the limit was 574 miles from Winnipeg.

After sinking two shafts and spending four hundred thousand dollars on the property, the option was given up, and "cheep" operations began. Next year, 1921, the Mining Corporation made a bid and purchased the property outright—that is, the 68 per cent interest held by Hammell and the prospectors Creighton, Leon, Dion, John and Dan Mosher, the other 32 per cent being owned by the Canadian Government.

It was at this time that Hammell, through his previous disappointments, knowing well that it is one which counts in the final analysis and that such problems as the cost of diamond drilling, the cost of labor, the cost of living, etc., were insurmountable, gave up the project. Hammell and the prospectors Creighton, Leon, Dion, John and Dan Mosher, the other 32 per cent being owned by the Canadian Government. For the 68 per cent, including interest, some six hundred thousand dollars, of which one hundred thousand dollars were paid, the prospectors who stuck with Hammell.

But it was a big project to launch. To make a success, power would have to be supplied, always a problem in the north. Hammell, however, had a plan. He had a plan to bring in the mining and milling plants, smelter and refinery. Indefatigably the Mining Corporation, particularly its president, J. P. Way, and its chief engineer, Scott Turner, later director of mines for the United States Government, worked to correlate the various phases of the enterprise if it was eventually to be brought into production.

Then in 1925, the Harry Payne Whitney group of New York City optioned the Canadian concern. Here R. E. Phelan, present general manager of the enterprise, entered the scene to further examine the property. He found that the development had indicated a very large massive, complex copper-zinc-gold ore body, which involved the solving of metallurgical problems if it was to be made commercial. The Whitney interests had a subsidiary called the Complex Ore Recovery Co. interested in the development of the property. On August 26, 1926, it was decided to venture further money and tackle the metallurgical problems on a practical scale.



In 1927 this is what Flin Flon looked like—that's all there was to it. Note the heavily wooded background.

The Hard, Hard Struggles Between 1915 and 1925 When the Whitney Group of New Entered The Picture

But while the copper looked interesting, they saw no value in the zinc, while the complex ore involved metallurgical problems. The war, too, had a distracting effect, and the option was dropped after spending fifty thousand dollars and doing seven thousand five hundred feet of diamond drilling.

Now, years later, David Milligan and Isadore Dion took an option on the balance of the property. For doing eighteen thousand feet of diamond drilling, Milligan and Isadore paid one per cent interest in the complex ore was a stickler, and again work stopped. In 1920 with the property again in the hands of the Whitney group, informed of the difficulties of the zinc, Hammell went to the Mining Corporation of Canada. Expecting little and aggrieved, it was interested in the zinc. Harry Payne, millionaire New Yorker, would also come into the deal. Hammell and, in his mind, Thompson was selected to represent the property and took an option for a one-quarter interest, while the Mining Corporation took the other quarter.

His pal on the hinterland side,

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

DECEMBER 26

CHRISTIAN CONSECRATION

Gospel text: For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Philippians 1:21.

Lesson: Mark 1:16-20; Philippians, Chapter 1.

Devotional reading: Psalm 108:1-6.

Explanations And Comments

God Salutes The Church at Philippians 1:12.

He Thanks for His Fellowship in Furthering the Gospel and Prays that their Love may Issue in Freedom of Righteousness, Philippians 1:13-14.

How Paul Regards the Christian Cause, Philippians 1:12-20. At this time Paul seems to have been transferred to a prison, and he fears that his friends, the Philippians, may consider this stricter custody as a punishment for him. He wishes them to know that all the things that have happened to him, his imprisonment with all its hardships and persecutions, have been welcomed, because they have resulted in the solving of the gospel more widely known, the good news about Christ which he has more at heart than his own welfare. He has given up his life for Christ. The gospel has been furthered:

(1) The soldiers that guard him have heard about Christ and they have learned knowledge through the Procurator Guard. They listened to his conversations with men of all classes who came to his trial, and to letters which he dictated to distant churches; and then in the long hours of dreary nights they heard him preach the truth. (2) Paul's passion, so passionately that one after another was led to enlist as a soldier of Christ and go forth to win from the world (Charles E. Edman). (3) Not all were animated by love and good will. Some were actuated by pride and strife, to create faction in the ranks, and add to Paul's afflictions, but even they were proclaiming Christ and his message. (4) In every way, whether with sincerity or with pretense, Christ was being proclaimed and Paul rejoiced.

Devotional Reading for Paul, Philippians 1:21-26. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. Paul was wholly Christ-centred: this was his result in his life for Christ was his universe. "The words 'life' and 'Christ' are his so interwoven that to think of one is to think of the other. When he says 'Christ' he sees all his present and his future included, interpreted, glorified by that name. When he says 'life' he sees himself surrounded and directed, inspired by the Person called Christ, the Christ of God, the Lord of man. Life and Christ are for his contemporaries in the best of all terms. 'I no longer live, but Christ liveth in me.' (W. Douglas MacKenzie).

Date Palm Is Very Old

Probably Flourished In Bethlehem On First Christmas Day

The date-palm, which grows to a height of 80 feet and is surmounted by feathery foliage, is the symbol of elegance and grace, hence it became a favourite Hebrew woman's name, "Tamar". The date is common in Palestine. As Bethlehem is only about five miles south of Jerusalem, it probably flourished there on the first Christmas Day. Many places are named from its abundance: e.g. Jericho, "The City of the Palms"; "Hazor-Tamar, by the Dead Sea, Baal-Tamar, near Gibeah, etc.

Rye Is Principal Crop

Poland is fundamentally an agricultural country with 64 per cent of its 58,500,000 population engaged in agricultural pursuits. Rye is the principal cereal crop. In 1936 Canadian exports to Poland were valued at \$46,633.

In making a pound of honey, says an expert, bees fly about 40,000 miles. Seems rather far-fetched.

A physician says everybody can take a hot bath daily. Wonder if he was ever a boarer?

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WHAT HO!

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CHAPTER IV.—Continued

Ernest Bingley's preconceived ideas of bona fide earl and authentic ladies received a rude blow. He had pictured Lady Rosa as something so ethereal that she almost floated in space like a pure spirit, and had envisaged her as being incapable of performing any more practical feat than dissecting an eclair. Her reference to the thrif of doing her own repairs he could not understand at all. Surely an earl, and particularly the Earl of Bingley, would have a fleet of gleaming motors of box-car dimensions, each with a chauffeur and footman in livery and a lattitudinous cap. Yet she had distinctly said "the family car, as it there were only one; and if she meant the hoary crate which he had heard panting away from the front of every village inn, it must be either new and unused, or else it was patiently suffering from a complication of diseases, including scatica of the gears and asthma of the pistons, ailments to which respectable cars are not prone. Ernest had read of the "new poor" and the thoughts began to trouble him that the Bingleys (of Bingley) might belong in that honorable but unfortunate category.

Her voice brought him back from the world of fancy to the world of fact.

"Really now," Lady Rosa said, "you'll never see the castle if you keep looking at me."

"I'd rather—that is, you're right," said Ernest. "Isn't that picture by the fireplace, Lord Walter Bingley, 1525-1589?"

"Why, yes, it is. How did you know?"

"Oh, I knew," said Ernest.

Having seen, with wide, impressed eyes, the magnificent Great Hall, Ernest continued to explore the castle with Lady Rosa.

She led him along a passage-way and opened a door. They entered a chamber containing a carved bed, broad as a small river.

"This," Lady Rosa told him, "is the room without which no self-respecting castle is complete..."

"The haunted room!" exclaimed Ernest, raptly. "It belonged to Sir Francis Bingley, who was born in 1610, but it turned out later he was innocent, and now on Christmas eve he comes back here with his head under his arm in the hope of finding some one who will put it back on."

"Suppose you do the guiding," smiled Lady Rosa.

"Oh, I'm so sorry," said Ernest. "You see, I'm so what you might call full of the castle it will pop out." "You've been here before?"

"Not exactly."

"How do you mean 'not exactly'?" she said. "Either he has been in a place or one hasn't."

"I've been," said Ernest, "in more places just like this."

"Do you mean with me?"

"Well, yes," said Ernest, and hurried on—"you see I've been lots of places that way, but I've been here oftenest."

"I like that sort of mind," said Lady Rosa. "And I'm glad you turned out to be the way you are."

Ernest looked at her blankly.

"I mean," she explained, "you might have been a big brass proffer who used our armor for an ash-tray, or, perhaps, a nasty little niggler who complained because the castle hasn't staved—heat."

"The point is: you're not," she said. "I think the Bingley luck which hasn't been so good of late years, has taken a decided turn for the better."

"Mine has," said Ernest.

"So has mine," said Lady Rosa. "Just think how singularly fortunate it is that you turned out to be somebody with a real understanding of

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"By Jove, he's gone. Was here two seconds ago."

"Crump?"

"Yes, m'lady?" said Crump, who had entered bearing a silver tureen.

"Do you know where the earl is?"

"He went out, m'lady."

"Indeedly," snapped Duff-Hooper, impatiently. "But where?"

"He did not say, sir," replied Crump, "but knowing his lordship, as I have done for some fifty years, my surmise is that he went out to examine that horse."

Sounds beneath the window lent support to Crump's surmise. The sound looked out and beheld the Earl of Bingley perched on Ralph. The earl was emitting a series of pleased cowboy yips and was endeavoring to make Ralph resume his waiting. That temperamental animal, however, had gone modern and was performing motions of his own devising, suggesting the hips that suggested a horse, laying the foundation for a new rhumba.

"Whoopie!" cried the earl.

"Father," called Lady Rosa, "we're waiting for you. Luncheon is served."

"Luncheon?" said the earl as if he'd never heard the word before. "Luncheon? Oh, yes, I see what you mean. Food. I'll be in directly."

He slid down from Ralph, hitched him to a knob on the castle gate, and presently entered the refectory.

"He wouldn't waltz for me," he said, sadly. "You must be a dashed clever horseman, Mr. Bingley."

"Oh no. No, indeed," denied Ernest.

"I'm so glad," she said. "What does your father want me to stay?"

"Yes, we both do."

"It's settled then? For one month—or longer, if you wish?"

Ernest, who had supposed the invitation to mean stay the night, could only nod.

"Are there many of you?" asked Lady Rosa.

"Many of me?"

"I mean how many rooms shall we get ready for you, your wife, family, servants, friends and so forth?"

English hospitality! And Ernest had always heard they were a standard race.

"I have a wife," he said, "Or" he added, "children."

"I'm inviting a lot of guests here, I suppose."

"Guests? Oh, no, I wouldn't think of doing that."

"But why not? We've 44 bedrooms, not counting the haunted chamber. You could stage a family house-party here for your friends."

"I have no friends—here in England I mean," said Ernest. "It's very kind of you to suggest it, though."

"You are a funny one," said Lady Rosa. "Father said you were—"

She broke off, and blushed a little.

"What?"

"Oh, a man with ideas of your own," she said. "But, see here, it's time for luncheon. I'm afraid we'll be too late."

"We'll be just in time," said Ernest.

"Captain Duff-Hooper. A very old friend."

"Oh!" said Ernest.

"What did you say?"

"Just 'Oh'."

"Oh."

They descended by the broad staircase to the dining room. It was a big baronial room and its generous board the Knights of the Round Table could have lunch, and there would still be room for the Rotary Club of Bell Falls, and an appropriate number of Bingley's once stout men in armor who had come here. The scars of their spurs could still be seen on the ponderous table and chairs. It would not have greatly surprised Ernest to find the medieval heroes still there, quaffing flagons of mead and sack and devouring bear meat and venison with their fingers, and afterward, wiping their sticky hands on shaggy dogs trained to bowls.

But the considerably more civilized Duff-Hooper was the only one in the long and lofty room when they entered. He was cracking his knuckles, stretching his flexions, being kept waiting. Ernest's eye, which had been out of focus like those of a small boy at a three ring circus, were able now to observe the captain in greater detail, and he was forced to admit that Duff-Hooper, buck-teeth and all, might easily be called a fine figure of a man, distinctly handsome, in fact, for he had a soldierly carriage, a fit look and an air of authority that made Ernest feel small, shabby, insignificant beside him. When Duff-Hooper said, in a proprietary way,

"Oh, there you are at last, Rosa. Crump demanded lunch twelve minutes ago," a ripple of resentment ran through Ernest.

"But where is father?" asked Lady Rosa.

"He's here."

"Under the table? I don't see him."

Remarkable Instruments

Will Be Seen This Year At British Industries Fair

A spectroscope to be exhibited at the 1938 British Industries Fair can detect carbon monoxide poisoning by examining the light passing through a sample of blood, and by determining the exact amount of poisonous matter present, can lead the way to another effective cure.

Another remarkable instrument to be seen at the fair is the Diabetometer by which the presence of an excess of sugar in the patient's system can easily be ascertained.

People nowadays are less given to ignoring the forecasts of the "clerk of the weather," for those prophecies are now found to be based on sound evidence.

One of the instruments which make weather forecasts not only possible but extraordinarily exact is Dr. Dobson's ozone spectrometer, also to be seen at the coming B.I.F.

It has been found that, 30 miles above the earth in the upper atmosphere, is a layer of ozone (a kind of warm blanket) which varies in thickness according to the weather conditions.

By measuring the layer of ozone, a fairly accurate forecast can be made. Hence, the ozone spectrometer, which measures the earth's "weather blanket" to such a degree of accuracy that the slightest changes can be detected and, whenever necessary, immediate warning sent out to shipping and aircraft.

Drifting Continents

Little Scientific Proof Exists For This Theory

One little scientific proof exists for the theory that the continents are "drifting," Dr. R. Meldrum Stewart, director of the Dominion Observatory at Ottawa, said before the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada.

The Austrian geodetic, Wegener, has proposed North America was moving away from Europe at the rate of about a metre a year. At that rate, there would be a shift of about a mile in 1,000 years.

But Dr. Stewart asserted wireless observations between Ottawa and Greenwich over a period of many years had shown the longitudinal time varied so slightly any "floating" that might be attributed to the continents under the Wegener hypothesis might be held to errors of observation.

Pooled Their Names

Five Young Men Had Good Idea For Animals Have No Fear

Shar J. Zylka, the last name in the Troy telephone book at Troy, N.Y., is really five other fellows.

The five share an apartment. To avoid possible confusion among friends if the telephone were listed only in the name of one of them, they decided to make sure they could tell everyone:

"Ring me any time; I'm the last one in the book."

"Zylch," starting with the last two letters of the alphabet, seemed an unbeatable combination. The "Shar J." was evolved by using the first initials of Stephen H. Samson, Harold T. Lyon, Alex D. Robb, Richard J. McFall and John Snyder.

The young men say the result is satisfactory.

University Chancellor

Lord Tweedsmuir Appointed Head Of Edinburgh University

Lord Tweedsmuir, Governor-General of Canada, was elected Chancellor of Edinburgh University, succeeding the late Sir James Barrie.

A postal poll of the entire graduate body of the university in the British Isles gave Lord Tweedsmuir 4,802 votes against 2,582 for the Marquess of Lothian, secretary of the Rhodes Trust. About 50 percent of electors responded to the poll within the time limit.

Lord Tweedsmuir's presence at the university will not be necessary while he is Governor-General.

Not Well Named

Ice land does not live up to its name for skating and skiing can be had there only a few days each winter and summer visitors find the mean temperature at Reykjavik its capital, the same as that of Milan in Italy. Refrigerators are regularly sent from America to Iceland.

Aniable Youth: "I say, Tommy, aren't you going to give this Christmas present?"

Tommy: "Sorry, but I can't. When I caught Mr. Witherspoon kissing her last night, she made me promise that I wouldn't give her away."

Fingerprints may be permanently obliterated only by having the sweat destroyed. This is a very painful operation.

Manila, P.I., is campaigning to become the distributing centre of the Far East.

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Outstanding Canadians

Will Erect Bronze Plaques In Memory Of Canadian Heroes

The National Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, of which Professor Fred Landen, librarian of the University of Western Ontario, is a member, has done a splendid job in marking the sites connected with the early history of the Dominion.

A new departure is being made by the commission in the erection of bronze plaques in memory of outstanding Canadians to be placed on suitable sites. The first plaque will be erected in London, probably in the historic county buildings, in memory of Edward Blake.

Edward Blake, there are probably few Canadians who would say that the great Canadian parliamentarian and Liberal leader was born in Adelaide Township. The Blakes, who came from the North of Ireland, were amongst the first settlers of Adelaide.

It was on the invitation of the blakies that a young North of Ireland clergyman, Rev. Benjamin Cronyn, came to Canada to minister to the new settlement. This was in 1832. When he reached London he became the first bishop of the diocese of Huron. The young clergyman married a Blake and the two families have ever since been closely connected.

London Free Press.

Dogs As Parachute Jumpers

Experiment By Soviet Flyers Shows

Animals Have No Fear

Experiments in parachute-jumping for dogs are being carried out in the Soviet army. After Soviet soldiers have landed by parachute behind the lines in enemy territory, their messenger dogs should be able to follow them by the same means.

One recent experiment was carried out by a Soviet aviator who climbed to 1,800 feet. At a word of command, and without saying a word of thanks, the dog stepped into a cage designed to expand automatically in space. The automatic parachute opened and the animal floated slowly toward the ground.

The dog's trainer jumped simultaneously. The dog was thus able to watch the dog as it descended. The trainer stated afterwards that the animal kept perfectly still during the descent. When the trainer called to it by name it turned its head toward him and barked. Finally it landed gently on the ground.—Air Review, London.

Canadian Legion Press

Incorporation For Organization To Carry On Publishing Business

Incorporation of the "Canadian Legion Press, Limited," to carry on business as proprietors and publishers of newspapers, journals, magazines, books and other literary works and underwriting and publishing the Canada Gazette.

Named as incorporators were William Walde Murray, journalist, and J. A. McIsaac, civil servant, both of Ottawa, and J. J. Ferry of Sudbury, Ont., and Geoffrey C. Burbridge, of Montreal, insurance agents.

Operations of the company will be carried on throughout Canada with a capital stock of \$50,000, with the head office in Ottawa.

Lost Two Homes

The Ohio river flood of last January swept away Edward Crews' home in Cincinnati. He moved his family into a garage and set about building a new home. He finished the job and started a fire in the furnace to warm the house for moving in. Something went wrong. The new house burned to the ground.

Nearly 5,000,000 bundles of bananas were shipped from Costa Rica in 1937.

Probability of higher taxation is worrying business men of Japan.

Some Collection Box

The latest American church device "raising the wind" is what a religious paper describes as "some collection box." The inventor hails from Oklahoma. If a member of the congregation drops in a 25 cent piece or a coin of large value, there is silence. If it is a ten-cent piece a bell rings, a five-cent piece sounds a whistle, and a cent fires a blank cartridge. If any one pretends to be asleep when the box passes, it awakens him with a watchman's rattle, and a Kodak takes his portrait.

Girls and boys between 18 months and 4 years of age average about 36 minutes of crying every 24 hours, tests have revealed.

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Church Notices

United Church Services

Sunday, January 2nd.
 New Year's Services
 "I have set before thee an open door."
 Rodney - Public Worship.....11:00 a.m.
 Floral - Sunday School.....2:30 p.m.
 Crossfield - Sunday School.....11:15 a.m.
 Crossfield - Public Worship.....7:30 p.m.
 Rev. S. Hunt, B.A.B.D., Minister

Church of the Ascension
 (ANGLICAN)
 Jan. 2nd. 11:00 a.m. Holy Communion
 Jan. 9th. 11:00 a.m. Matins
 Jan. 16th. 7:30 p.m. Evensong
 Jan. 30th. 7:30 p.m. Evensong
 Rev. A. D. CURRIE, Rector

Crossfield Baptist Church
 Regular Sunday Services
 11:00 a.m. Morning Service
 12:30 p.m. Children's Church
 8:00 p.m. Evening Service
 Services at Abernethy 3:00 p.m.
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The public are cordially reminded that the boys of the Legion will hold a social evening in the Masonic Hall, on Wednesday, January 12th, 1938, and you are expected. Come and enjoy a good time.

Alberta Oranges Served for Xmas At Acme Residence

An Acme household possibly set an Alberta record when it included Alberta grown oranges on the Christmas Day menu.

The fruit was raised to maturity by Mrs. Arthur Wheeler who was able to serve two ripe home grown oranges. Acme residents are proud of the achievement which they declare "goes one better than California" where according to reports, A. W. Maidment managed to grow one lemon. —The Albertan.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

IN THE ESTATE OF ANNIE MAY HAVENS, late of the Postal District of Sampson, in the Province of Alberta, Widow, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims upon the Estate of the above named Annie May Havens, who died on or about the 3rd day of December, A.D. 1929, at Long Beach, California, One of the United States of America are required to file with Robert Ware, Barrister, Crossfield, the Province of Alberta, Solicitor for the Executor, by the 8th day of February A.D. 1938 a full statement duly verified of their claim.

Execution will be held on the 10th of January.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Dawson spent Christmas with former friends at Ponoka.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Styles, of Edmonton, were visitors at Mrs. Styles' home (Metheral's) just south of town.

While residents of Crossfield shiver in the icy blasts, John Zanni basks in the warm sunshine of California.

Mrs. D. J. Hall was the holder of the lucky ticket on the Cake sold by Laut and Co., on behalf of the Legion. We like cake, Mrs. Hall.

Mr. E. C. Collier Barrister, informs the Chronicle he will not visit Crossfield on business till Saturday January 8th, 1938.

Mr. Pritchard, relieving Teller at the local Bank, spent Christmas at his home in Edmonton, from which point he journeyed to Vermillion to undertake Bank duties there.

Writing his father in Calgary, James McClelland, former Crossfield boy, states he expects to leave for duty in India, about January 18. James is a gunner in the Royal Artillery.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Murphy and two young sons, of Edmonton, visited at the Oliver Hotel over the holiday season. Mr. Murphy returned to Edmonton Monday, while Mrs. Murphy and the young boys will remain as guests of Mrs. Murphy's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Waterhouse.

Canadian Legion

The Legion boys saw to it this Christmas that two of their more unfortunate brothers got some real Christmas cheer by way of hampers of groceries.

January 7th is the date of the Legion Card Party and the public is invited. At this meeting the draw will be made for the Quilt donated by Mrs. Calhoun. Get that ticket now.

CROSSFIELD CHATTER

Sinclair Boyd spent Christmas with his people in Calgary.

Garrett is confined to his bed with an attack of LaGrippe.

Les Spivey, of Eckville, spent Christmas at his home here.

Elmer Wall was a business visitor to Calgary this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Edlund spent Christmas in Calgary with relatives.

Dave Cuming is sporting a new delivery Ford truck.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Davis were Drumheller visitors for Christmas, guests of Mr. Davis' brother.

H. P. Wright and J. H. Scott, of Airdrie, were Crossfield visitors Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Zang, of Calgary, were Christmas guests at Mrs. Zang's home here.

The Editor and Bert Bannister took a few hours off Thursday, to go to the city.

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